

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A coin handling machine includes a coin sorting passage formed with a reference guide rail, a sensor for detecting optical properties and magnetic properties of the coins, a coin sorting opening along the inner wall of the reference guide rail and a coin sorting member provided in the vicinity of a side portion of the coin sorting opening on the side of the reference guide rail, the coin sorting member including a coin supporting section having a coin supporting surface for supporting one edge portion of the coin being transported in the coin sorting passage and a coin press section for pressing the coin, and it further includes a rotary solenoid for moving the coin supporting section between a coin support position where the coin supporting surface can support one edge portion of the coin being transported in the coin sorting passage and a retracted position where the coin supporting surface cannot support the coin and moving the coin press section so as to press the coin downward in synchronism with the movement of the coin supporting surface to the retracted position and a controller for driving the rotary solenoid based on detection signals from the sensor.

The thus constituted coin handling machine can reliably drop a predetermined coin among coins fed into the coin sorting passage in the coin sorting opening, thereby sorting it without making the machine large.